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the Punisher & Wolverine in DAMAGING EVIDENCE PART 3 OF 3

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UNGH
KATHAK KATHAK KATHAK

LET'S SEE JUST HOW TOUGH YOU ARE, RUNT!

DITTO.

SINK ALL SIX BLADES TO THE HILT.
SNIK SNIK

VERY LITTLE IN THERE THAT'S FLESH AND BLOOD, LITTLE MAN...
...BUT I AM FULL OF "JUICE!"
YOUR METAL CLAWS MAKE PERFECT ELECTRICAL CONDUCTORS!

AAHRHK
KRAK

GET OFF ME!

OVERDONE PIECE...
KRAK

....OF.
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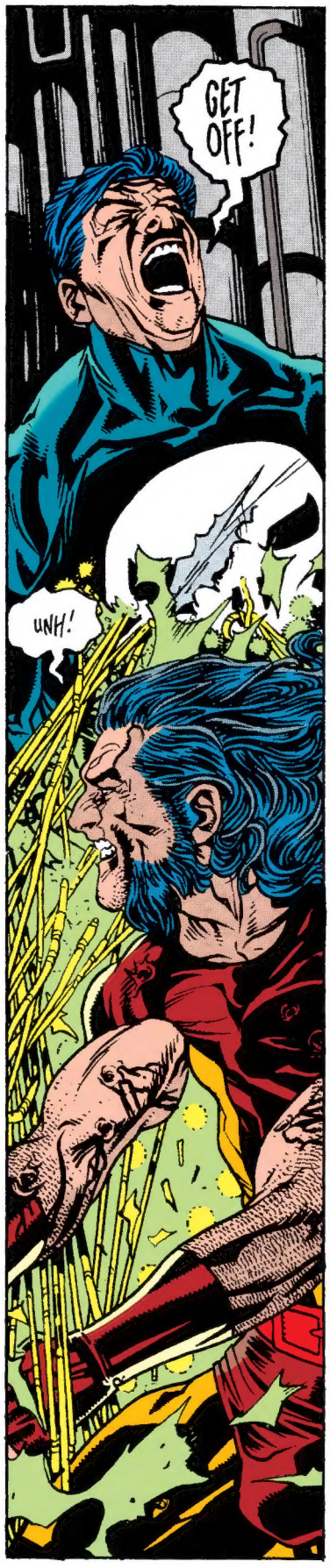
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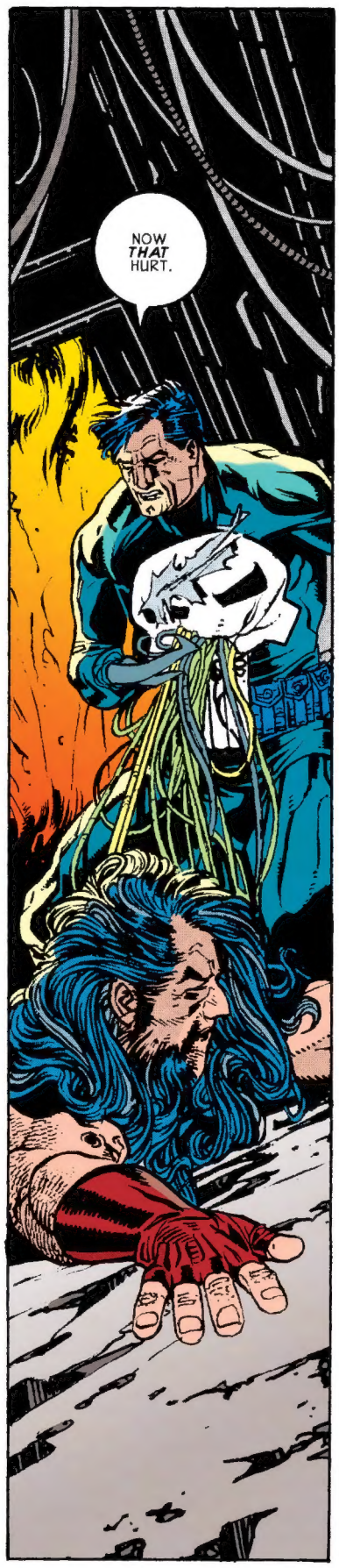
UNH!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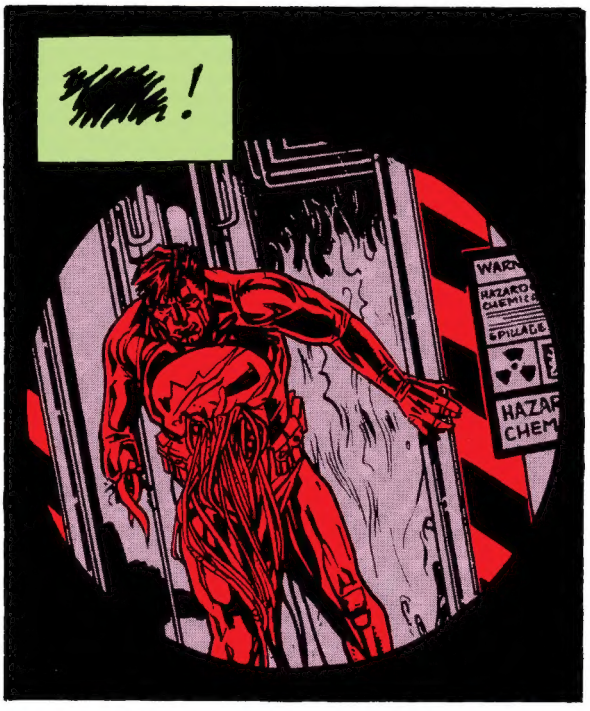
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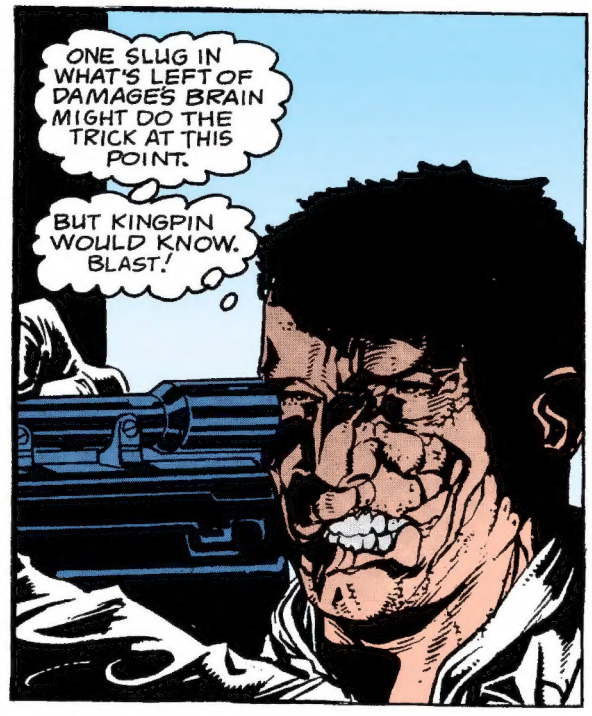
WARN
HAZARD CHEMICALS
SPILLAGE
HAZAR CHEM

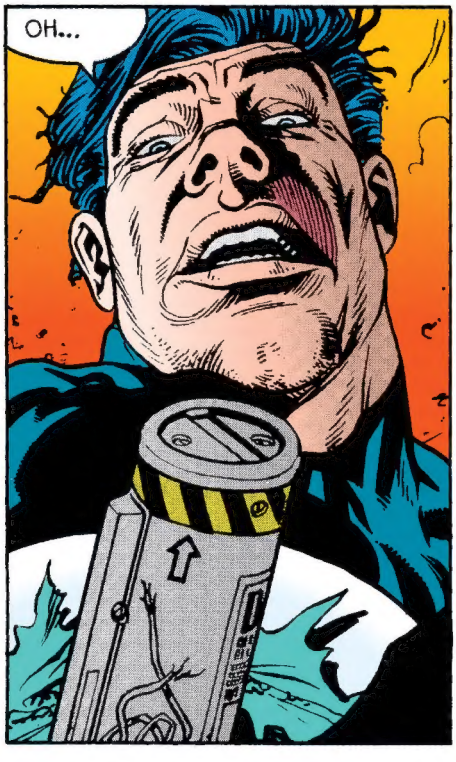

ONE SLUG IN WHAT'S LEFT OF DAMAGE'S BRAIN MIGHT DO THE TRICK AT THIS POINT.
BUT KINGPIN WOULD KNOW. BLAST!

THIS...IS GOING... TO TAKE MORE THAN... A FEW HOURS... TO.... MEND.
LUNATIC CAN'T...GET... AWAY.
GRENADE LAUNCHER... FELL OUT OF 'IM... WHEN I... GUTTED...'IM.

HOW'M I GOING TO KILL PUNISHER LIKE THIS?
WARNING
HAZAR

WHAT?! WHAT ARE YOU MADE OF, RUNT?

HEAVY METAL, BUB.
WANT TO RETURN SOMETHIN' TO YA.

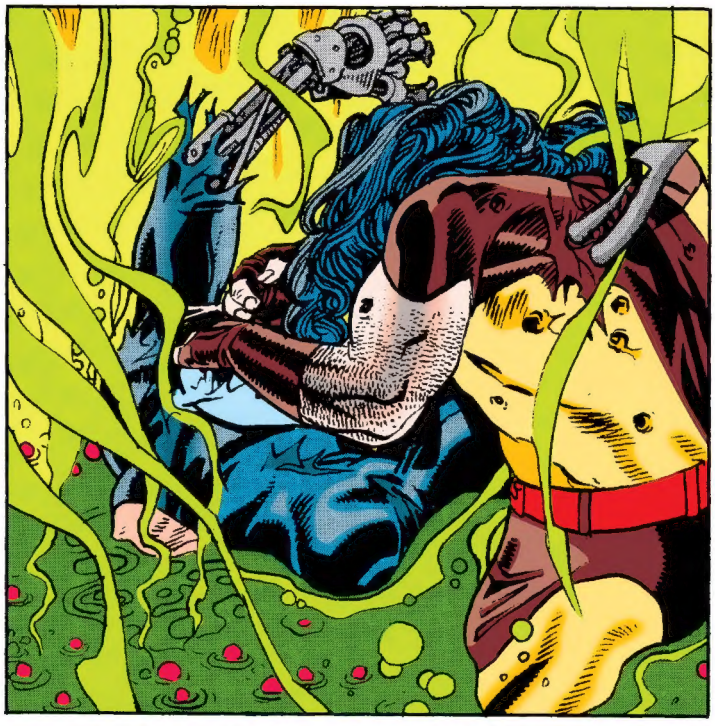

OH...

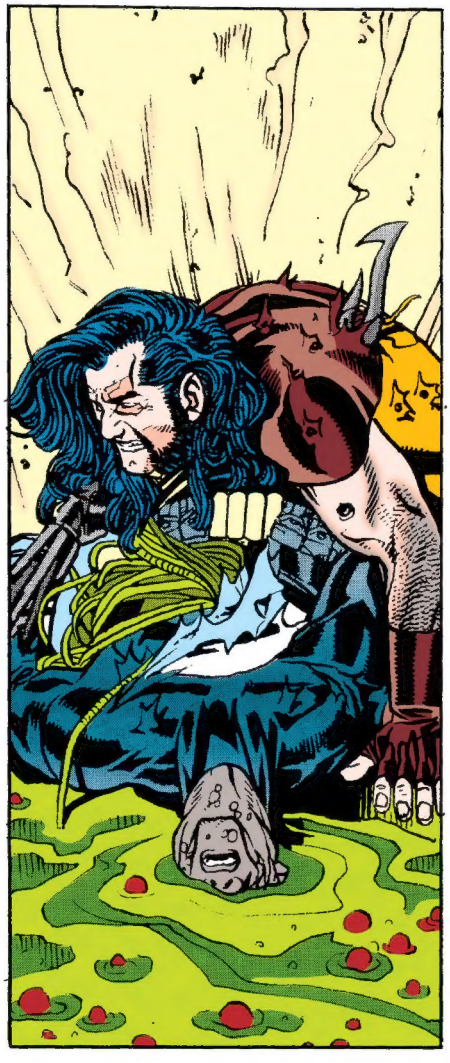
BALAM

BASTARD ALMOST...TOOK ME...WITH... HIM.
HAVE... TO REST...
...HAVE TO...
NOW I'M REALLY TICKED!
...FIGHT... SOME MORE.
RUNNING...ON EMPTY.
KANG!

YOU WON'T TAKE ANOTHER...
GUK
ONLY...ONE WAY... TO...MAKE SURE HE... DOESN'T...GET... AWAY.
...BREATH?!
AARG
TAKE HIM... WITH... ME.
I'M STUCK!
GET OFF!

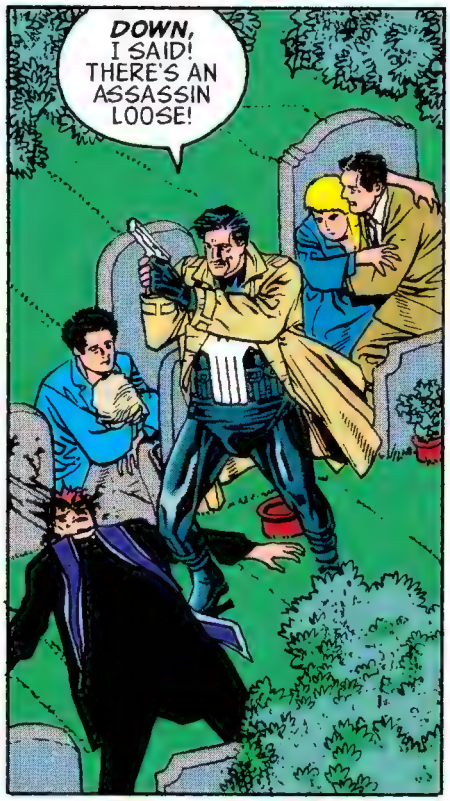
GURG
HAK
GAG





BEAUTIFUL! JUST BEAUTIFUL! NOW TO FIND FRANK.

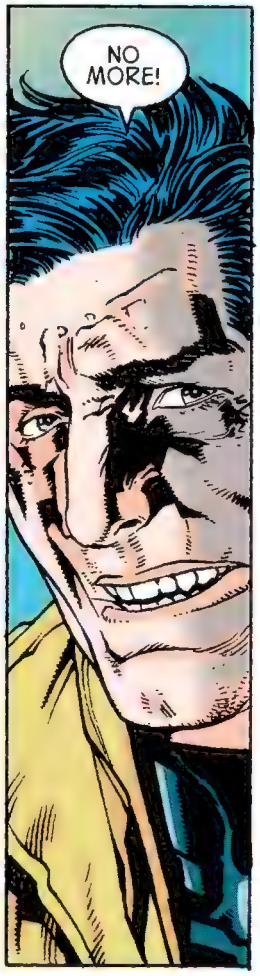
" I KNEW HE'D BE HERE."
" HAD TO COME TO THE SERVICES FOR THE CRACK HOUSE RAID VICTIMS --EVEN IF PART OF HIM BELIEVES HE DIDN'T KILL THEM... "
...SO PREDICTABLE.
GOT SUCH A SOFT SPOT FOR "INNOCENT" VICTIMS, 'SPECIALLY THE KIDS.
HERE'S A PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO DRIVE THE MAN EVEN MORE NUTS BEFORE I END HIS TORMENT!
KRAK
GRAH!
GOD ALMIGHTY!
GET DOWN!
IT'S HIM! THE ONE WHO KILLED MY SISTER! HE'S GOING TO KILL US ALL!


DOWN, I SAID! THERE'S AN ASSASSIN LOOSE!

KRAK
OH.

WHERE THE IS HE?

KRAK
UNGH!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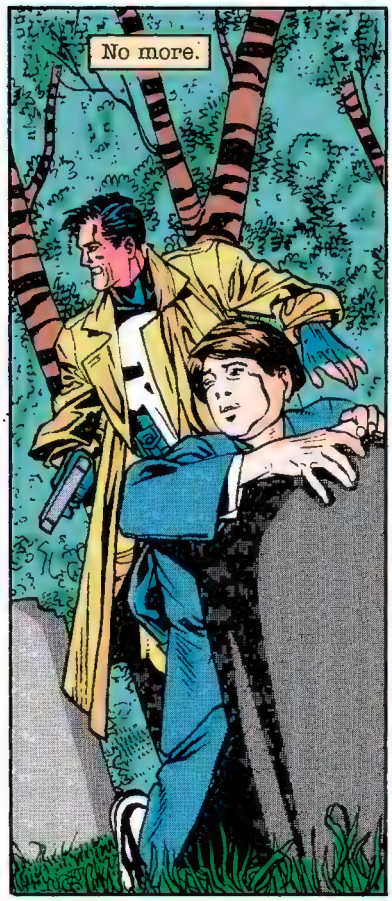
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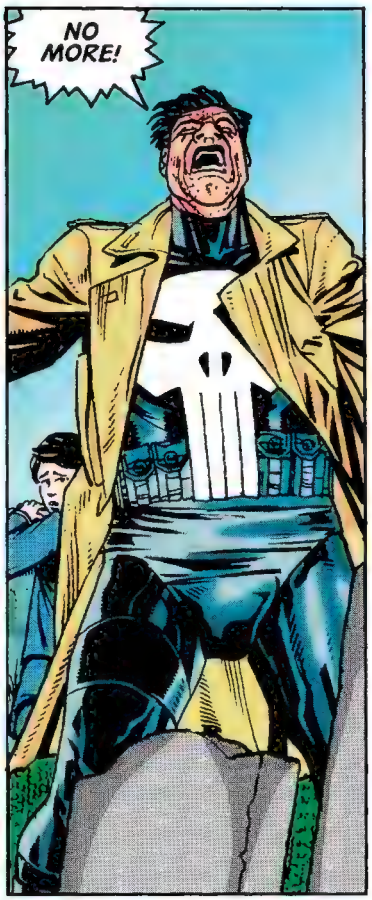
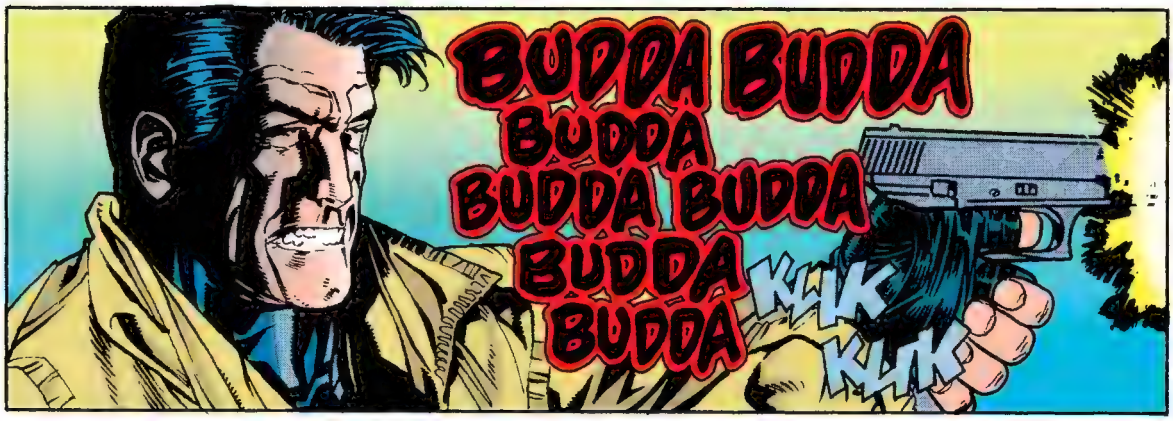

NO MORE!

THIS IS THE BEST!
FIRST I'LL NAIL THE BRAT, THEN MR. CASTLE JOINS HIS FAMILY!

KRAK
RIP

GET ON THE OTHER SIDE AND STAY DOWN!
MOVE!
CAN'T... MOVE...

HA'EEE
COME HERE... I'LL SHIELD YOU.
KATHAK


BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA
KLIK KLIK

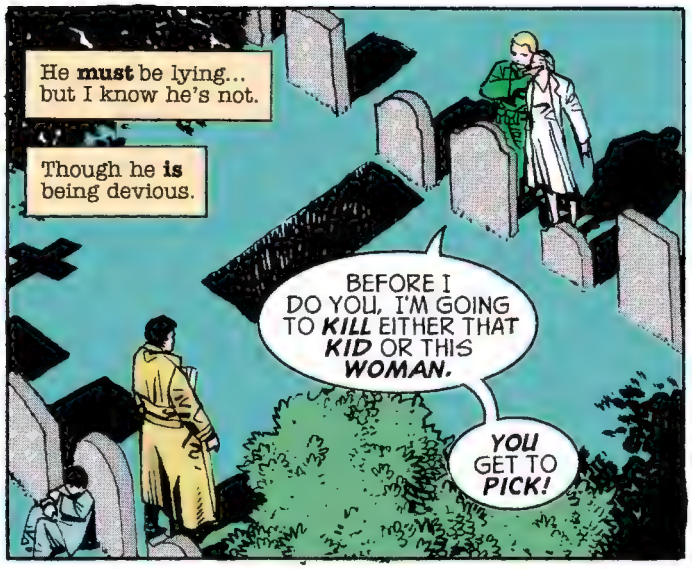
WOAH!
VIP VIP VIP VIP
THAK VIP

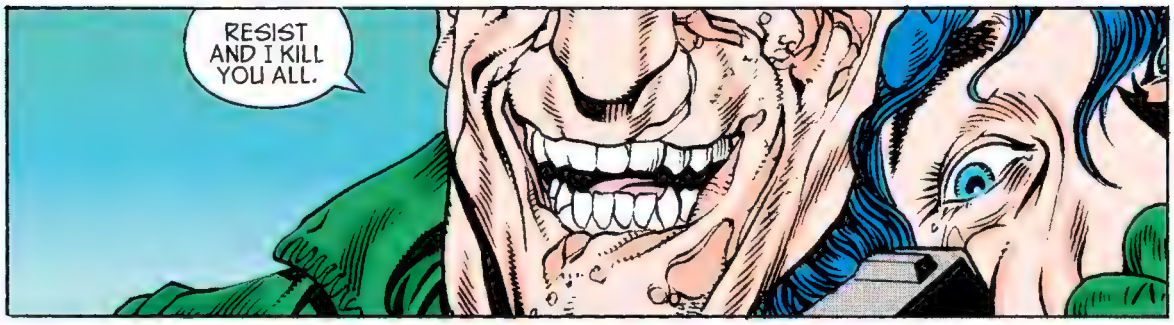
NO MORE FOOLIN' AROUND.
UNHH!
KRAK

Only one man I know can shoot like that.
But he's dead...

...or will be again.
BUDDA BUDDA
Almost shot a mourner.
Stop reacting. Think.
YO, FRANKIE!
It is him.
It's been him all along -- shooting bystanders at the crack house raids.
YOU'VE BEEN TRAILING ME -- KILLING BYSTANDERS AFTER THE DRUG RAIDS.
GOT NEWS FOR YOU, LIEUTENANT. I MAY BE A DECEPTIVE SON OF A *!@*!, BUT I'VE NEVER LIED OUTRIGHT TO YOU. YOU KNOW THAT.
I DIDN'T OFF THOSE FOLKS AT THE CRACK HOUSE -- IT WAS SOMEONE ELSE.
SOMEONE I KNOW.

SOMEONE WE BOTH KNOW!
TAKE A LOOK IN A MIRROR.
Is it true? Was it me after all? Blackouts where I'm out of control?

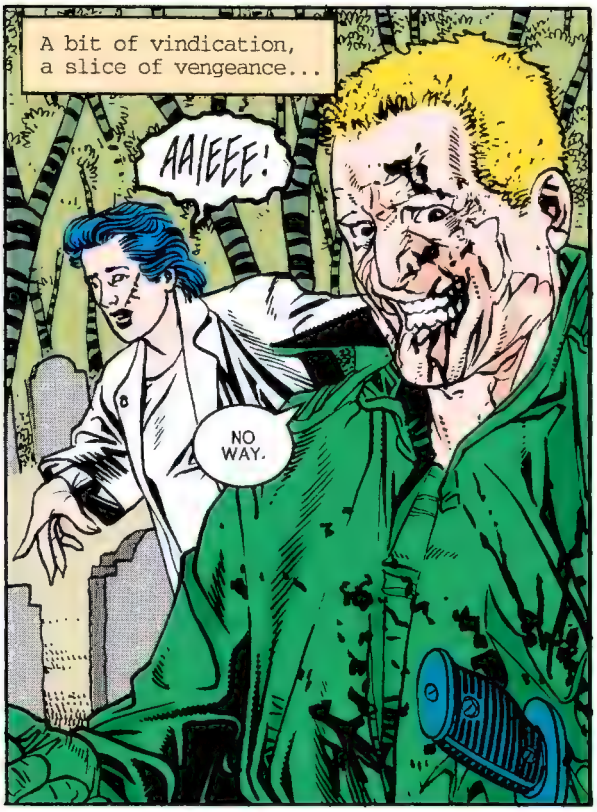

He must be lying... but I know he's not.
Though he is being devious.
BEFORE I DO YOU, I'M GOING TO KILL EITHER THAT KID OR THIS WOMAN.
YOU GET TO PICK!


RESIST AND I KILL YOU ALL.

WHO'LL BE THE FIRST TO DIE, FRANKIE?

Sniper gets his thrills from confrontation and killing.
YOU!
Well, this dive,roll and knife action is as confrontational as it gets.

What do I get?
HUH?
SHAKT

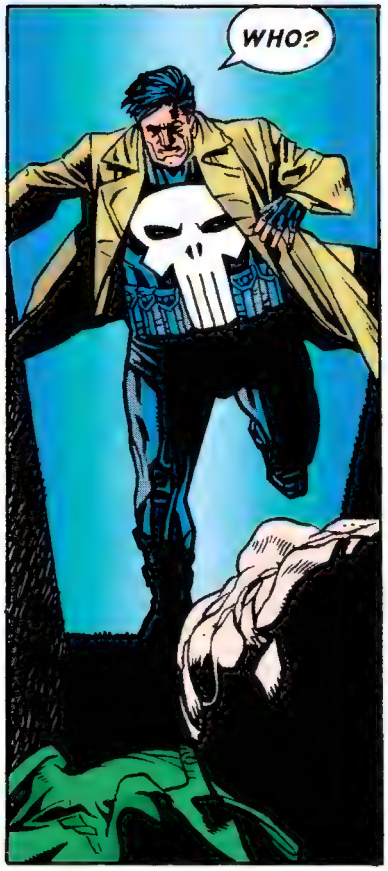

A bit of vindication, a slice of vengeance...
AAIEEE!
NO WAY.

...or perhaps to pay the ultimate price for my sins — my **failures**.

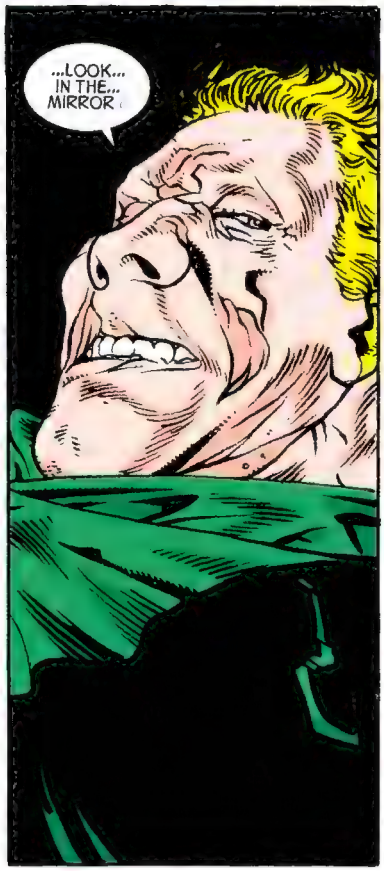
GOOD WORK, FRANK... BUT...I GET THE... LAST LAUGH...
YOU... KNOW I DIDN'T... KILL THOSE PEOPLE AT...THE CRACK HOUSES.

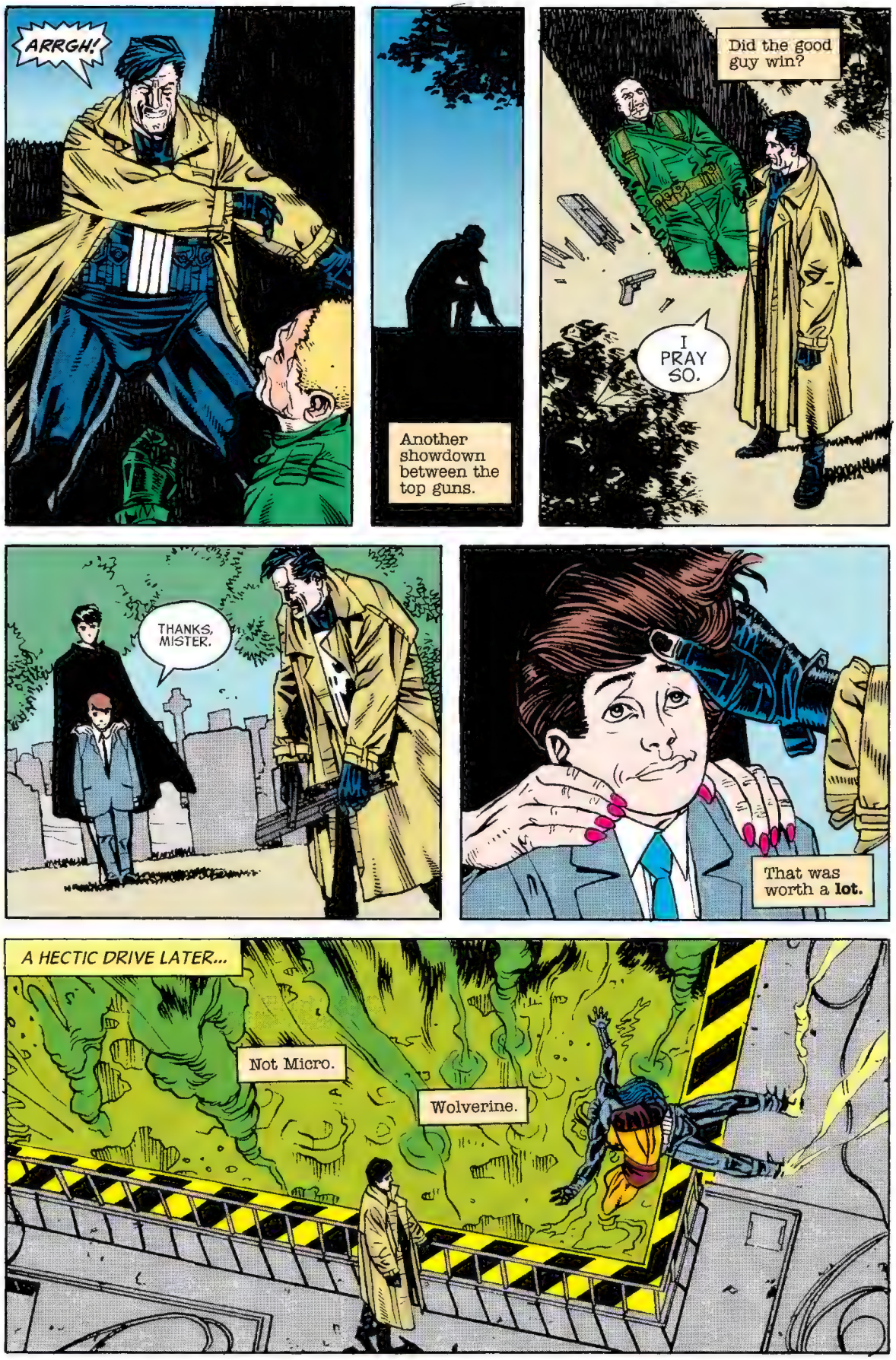
THERE ARE PLENTY...OF FOLKS OUT...FOR YOUR... HIDE...
COUGH A BUDDY O' YOURS... JUST BOUGHT IT... TRYIN' TO... STOP COUGH US...

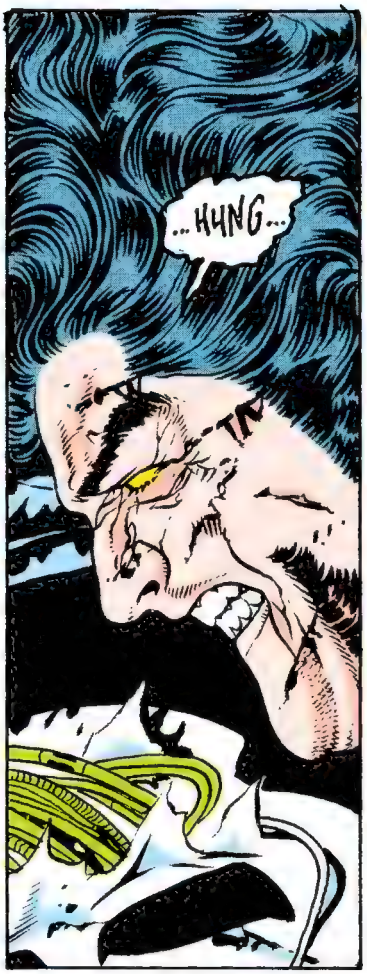
FIND HIS... BODY...COUGH AT THE...CHEMICAL DUMP... NEXT TO... YOUR LAST BUST... COUGH
Micro? He's the only friend Sniper would know of.

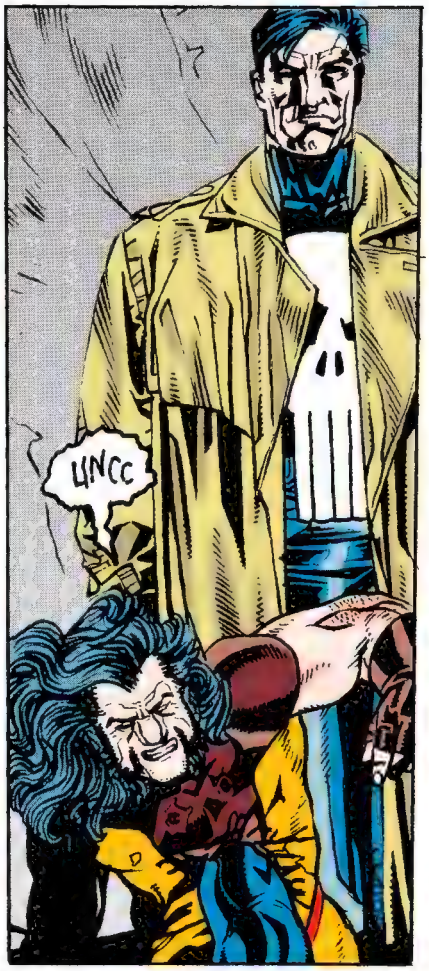

WHO?

WHO'D YOU KILL?
WHO ELSE IS AFTER ME?


...LOOK... IN THE... MIRROR


ARRGH!
Another showdown between the top guns.
Did the good guy win?
I PRAY SO.
THANKS, MISTER.
That was worth a **lot.**
A HECTIC DRIVE LATER...
Not Micro.
Wolverine.


...HUNG...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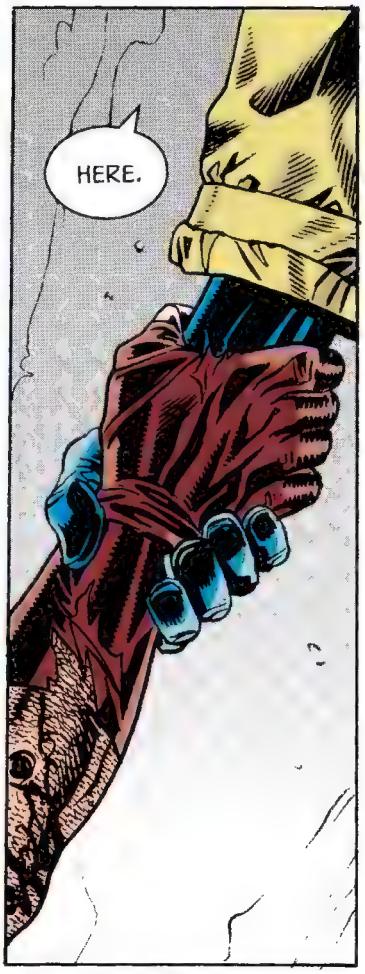
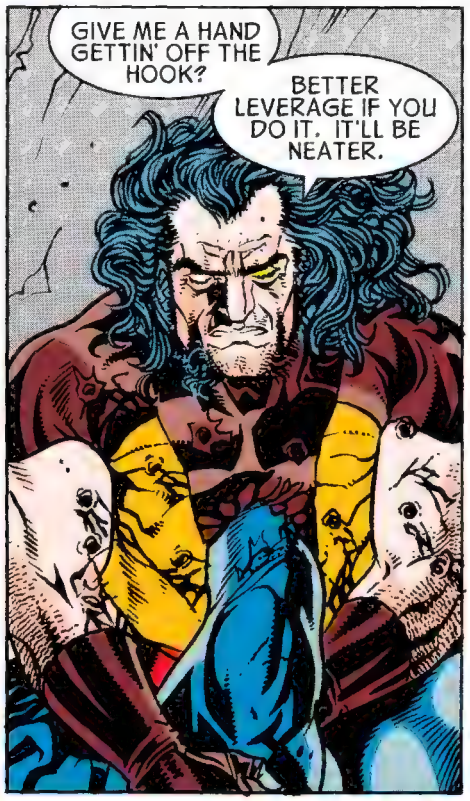

HERE.

THE REAL ONE, EH?
HUH?


GIVE ME A HAND GETTIN' OFF THE HOOK?
BETTER LEVERAGE IF YOU DO IT. IT'LL BE NEATER.

THIS IS GOING TO HURT YOU A LOT MORE THAN IT'S GOING TO HURT ME.

ARGH

THANKS.
KLIK
LOOK AT HIS FACE.

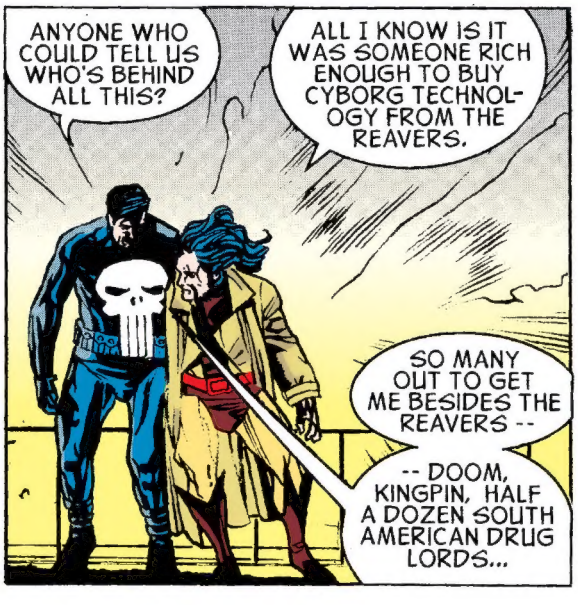
LIKE LOOKIN' IN A MIRROR, EH?
YEAH. A MIRROR.
ANY IDEA WHO HE IS?
I WAS HOPIN' *YOU* WOULD.

YOU!

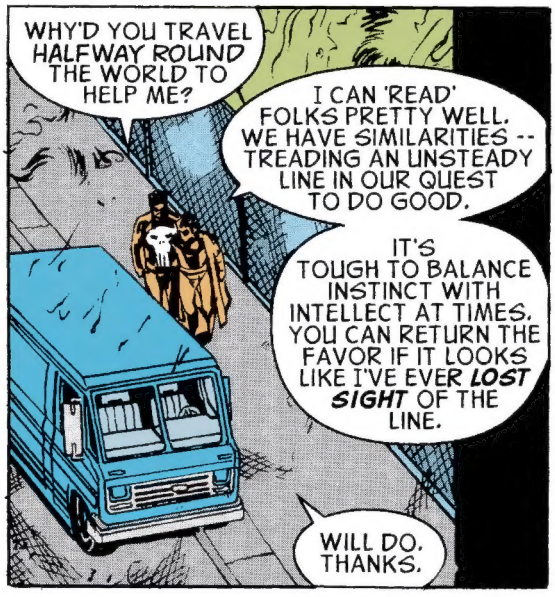
KILL YOU!
CLIK
JEEZ.

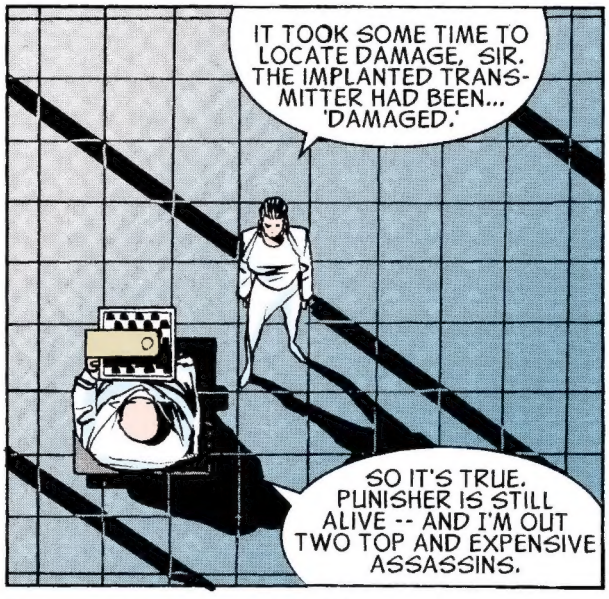
FOOSH
YOU!

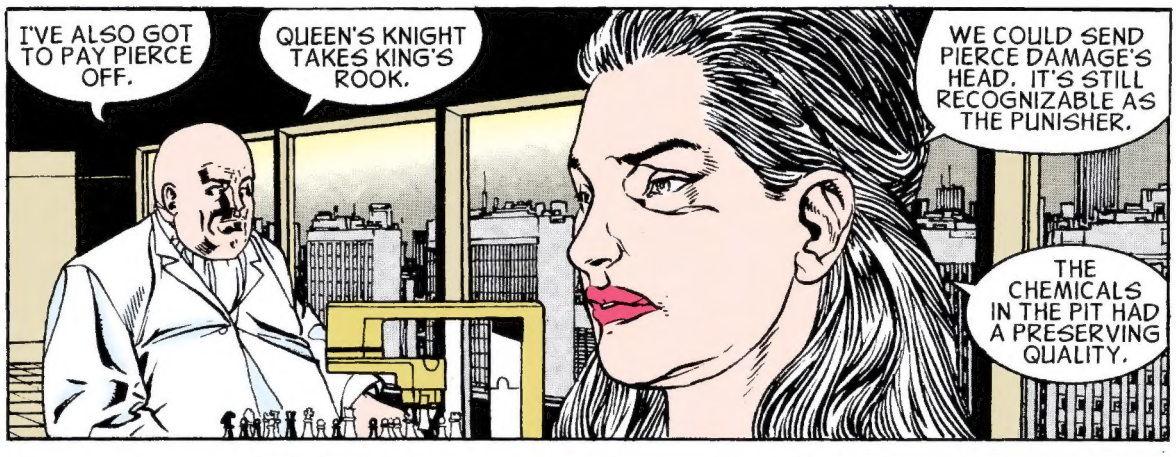
WABLOM


ANYONE WHO COULD TELL US WHO'S BEHIND ALL THIS?
ALL I KNOW IS IT WAS SOMEONE RICH ENOUGH TO BUY CYBORG TECHNOLOGY FROM THE REAVERS.
SO MANY OUT TO GET ME BESIDES THE REAVERS --
-- DOOM, KINGPIN, HALF A DOZEN SOUTH AMERICAN DRUG LORDS...

NEXT TIME I TANGLE WITH THE REAVERS, I'LL FIND OUT MORE.
AT LEAST I FOUND OUT IT WASN'T YOU KILLING THE CIVILIAN BYSTANDERS.
The Kingpin..?

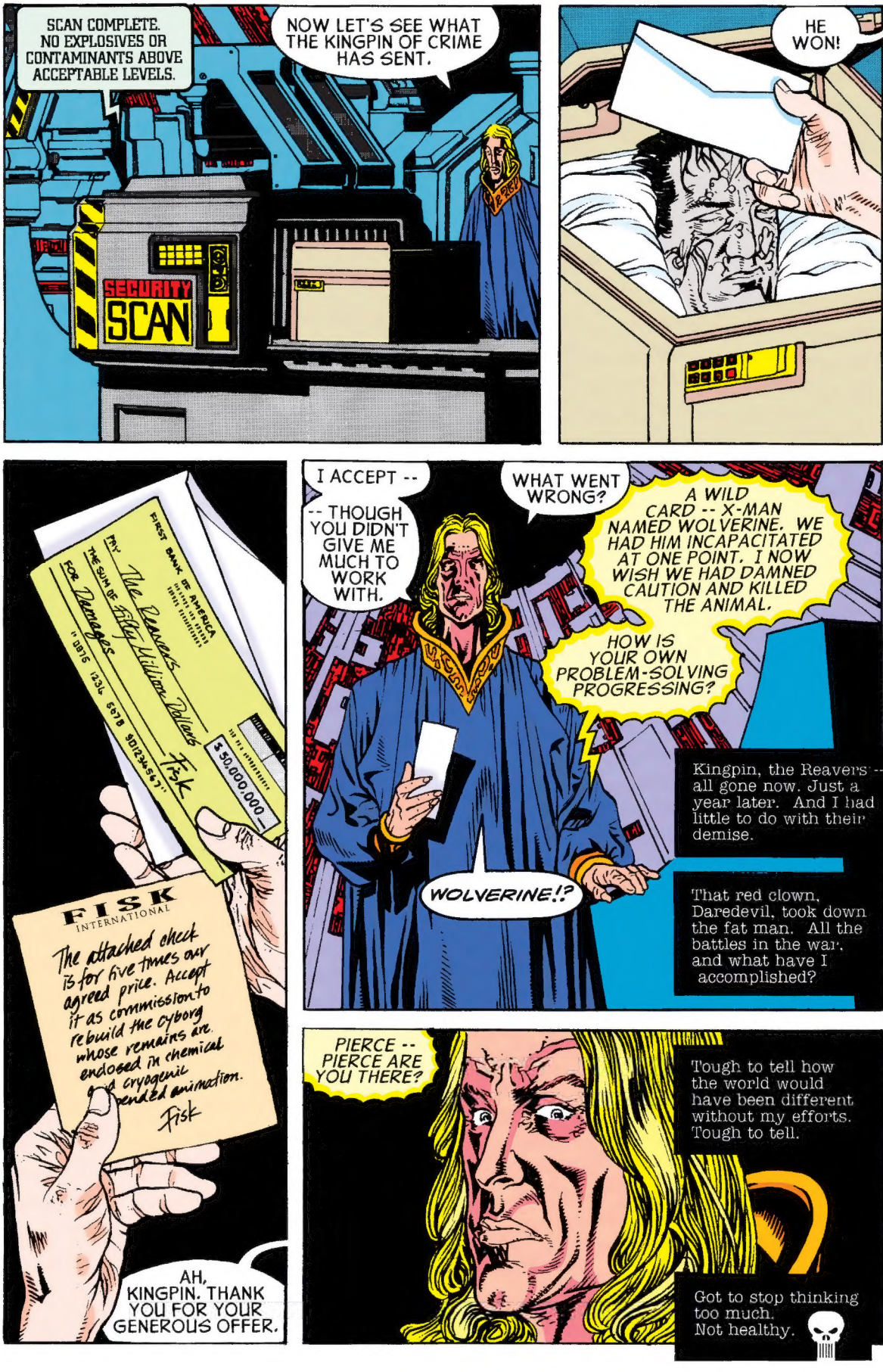

WHY'D YOU TRAVEL HALFWAY ROUND THE WORLD TO HELP ME?
I CAN 'READ' FOLKS PRETTY WELL. WE HAVE SIMILARITIES -- TREADING AN UNSTEADY LINE IN OUR QUEST TO DO GOOD.
IT'S TOUGH TO BALANCE INSTINCT WITH INTELLECT AT TIMES. YOU CAN RETURN THE FAVOR IF IT LOOKS LIKE I'VE EVER LOST SIGHT OF THE LINE.
WILL DO. THANKS.


IT TOOK SOME TIME TO LOCATE DAMAGE, SIR. THE IMPLANTED TRANSMITTER HAD BEEN... 'DAMAGED.'
SO IT'S TRUE. PUNISHER IS STILL ALIVE -- AND I'M OUT TWO TOP AND EXPENSIVE ASSASSINS.


I'VE ALSO GOT TO PAY PIERCE OFF.
QUEEN'S KNIGHT TAKES KING'S ROOK.
WE COULD SEND PIERCE DAMAGE'S HEAD. IT'S STILL RECOGNIZABLE AS THE PUNISHER.
THE CHEMICALS IN THE PIT HAD A PRESERVING QUALITY.

NO. I MUST BE GOOD TO MY WORD TO STAY IN BUSINESS.
DECEIVING PIERCE WOULD BE MORE DAMAGING THAN PAYING UP.

King's Bishop takes Pawn. Checkmate. I win.


SCAN COMPLETE. NO EXPLOSIVES OR CONTAMINANTS ABOVE ACCEPTABLE LEVELS.
NOW LET'S SEE WHAT THE KINGPIN OF CRIME HAS SENT.
SECURITY SCAN
HE WON!
FIRST BANK OF AMERICA
PAY The Reavers
THE SUM OF Fifty Million Dollars
FOR Damages
Fisk
$50,000,000
FISK INTERNATIONAL
The attached check is for five times our agreed price. Accept it as commission to rebuild the cyborg whose remains are enclosed in chemical and cryogenic suspended animation.
Fisk
AH, KINGPIN. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFER.
I ACCEPT --
-- THOUGH YOU DIDN'T GIVE ME MUCH TO WORK WITH.
WHAT WENT WRONG?
A WILD CARD -- X-MAN NAMED WOLVERINE. WE HAD HIM INCAPACITATED AT ONE POINT. I NOW WISH WE HAD DAMNED CAUTION AND KILLED THE ANIMAL.
HOW IS YOUR OWN PROBLEM-SOLVING PROGRESSING?
WOLVERINE!?
Kingpin, the Reavers -- all gone now. Just a year later. And I had little to do with their demise.
That red clown, Daredevil, took down the fat man. All the battles in the war, and what have I accomplished?
PIERCE -- PIERCE ARE YOU THERE?
Tough to tell how the world would have been different without my efforts. Tough to tell.
Got to stop thinking too much. Not healthy.